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DYNAMICALLY A COMPUTER § AUDIO INPUT/OUTPUT CONNECTOR §

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 7, 2003, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1 and 8 are amended and claims 4, 11 and 16 are cancelled. Claims 1-3, 5-10 and 12-15 remain in the application. Re-examination and reconsideration of the application, as amended, are requested.